

MINUTES
HOUSE AGRICULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

DATE: Friday, January 14, 2022

TIME: 8:15 A.M.

PLACE: Room EW42

MEMBERS: Chairman Kauffman, Vice Chairman Andrus, Representatives Boyle, Kerby, Giddings, Marshall, Nichols, Hanks, Cannon, Moon, McCann, Toone, Ruchti, Mathias

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Boyle

GUESTS: The sign in sheet will be retained in the committee secretary's office; following the end of the session the sign-in sheet will be filed with the minutes in the Legislative Library.

Chairman Kauffman called the meeting to order at 8:20 a.m.

Chairman Kauffman introduced new committee member **Rep. McCann**.

MOTION: **Rep. Mathias** made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2022 meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 02-0000-2100: **Lloyd Knight**, Admin. and Rules Coordinator, Idaho Dept. of Agriculture, spoke to **Docket No. 02-0000-2100**. Necessary Incorporation by Reference (IBR) updates were identified prior to publishing as temporary rules. Zero Based Rulemaking (ZBR) is focused on the direction of the Executive Order. They were presented to the participating stakeholders. The department worked to identify changes compliant with the Executive Order or requested by stakeholders ensuring the rule was consistent with statutory authority.

Dr. Scott Leibsle, Admin., Division of Animal Industries, Idaho State Dept. of Agriculture, spoke to the rules governing raw milk. Rule changes include elimination of herd size restrictions, unlimited raw permits, small herd exempt permits, and were combined into a single raw milk permit applying to all herd sizes. Herdshare permit remains unchanged. Raw milk producers are no longer restricted as to the number of animals they can milk. Monthly quality testing was eliminated. Quality testing standards do not predict or identify the potential for food-borne illness. Labelling requirements have been changed to better inform a "casual" consumer the product is unpasteurized and may be harmful. Raw Milk Producers will not be required to obtain a Nutrient Management Plan until they exceed 30 cows, 150 goats, or 150 sheep.

Marv Patton, Secretary, Milk Producers of Idaho, spoke to the committee in regards to selling raw milk.

MOTION: **Rep. Marshall** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 02-0000-2100**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:17 a.m.

Representative Kauffman
Chair

Jayne Feik
Secretary